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PROCEEDINGS

of the

Thirty-second Annual Session

of the

HIGH POINT EDUCATIONAL AND MISSIONARY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

Held with the First Baptist Church

Thomasville, N. C.

August 3-7, 1921

OFFICERS:

Moderator -- Rev. J. E. Boykin, A. M.

Recording Sec. ---- Rev. R. E. Catus

The next session will be held with East White Oak Baptist church, Greensboro, N. C., Wednesday, before the First Sunday in August, 1922

Maleta Grove—Rev. J. P. Copel.

E. Market—Walter Crenshaw, Bro. Faucett.

Jones Chapel—W. M. Hodge, Haward Taylor.

Locust Grove—P. E. Taylor, G. W. Thacker.

Oak Springs—By Letter.

Liberty Grove—Thomas Welborn.

Mt. Pisgah—C. E. Martin.

Wentworth—B. J. Percell.

Martin's Chapel—Walter Bernett.

Simmons Grove—Griffin McCrary.

Gethsemena—J. N. Mock.

Austin Grove—Miss Anna Leach.

The moderator appointed committees as follows: Finance Committee, Bro. Charles R. Young, Bro. P. E. Taylor, Mrs. M. E. Crews; On nomination officers, Rev. H. H. Savage, Rev. G. H. E. Washington, Bro. Charles R. Young, Bro. Geo. Thacker, Bro. Thomas Welborn, Bro. E. M. Darr, Mrs. S. E. Brooks. On constitution and by-laws, Rev. V. L. McLean, J. H. McBroom Bro. Howard Taylor.

COMMITTEE ON ARBITUARY

Rev. Y. S. Turner, Bro. Thomas Clark, Rev. F. Dilworth.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN AND HOME MISSIONS

W. W. Young, B. J. Percell, E. C. Martin, Rev. Geo. Kerns.

ON EDUCATION

Rev. Y. S. Turner, Bro. Landis Garner, C. A. Jackson, Rev. P. J. Jones.

ON TEMPERENCE

Rev. J. W. Poindexter, R. F. Brown, Miss Julia Green, Mrs. A. B. Strong, Isiah Harris, Rev. S. D. Townsend.

COMMITTEE ON PLACE OF MEETING

Rev. Wm. Wilson, Rev. Samuel Haith, J. P. Copel, Walter Burnett, J. N. Mock, Miss Annie Leach, Griffin McCrary.

COMMITTEE ON ORDANATION

Rev. A. S. Croom, S. Troxler, V. L. McLean, S. S. Wood, H. C. Hairston, G. H. E. Washnigton.

ENROLLMENT OF MINISTERS

Rev. J. E. Boykin.
Rev. H. S. Croom.
Rev. W. M. Wilson.
Rev. Y. S. Turner.
Rev. F. Dilworth.
Rev. W. M. Koonts.
Rev. G. H. E. Washington.
Rev. C. M. Hughes.
Rev P. J. Jones.
Rev. J. W. Poindexter.
Rev. Isiah Harris.
Rev. G. W. Kerns.
Rev. A. L. Faucett.
Rev. J. L. McMullin.
Rev. John Dixon.
Rev. T. D. Ware.
Rev. R. B. Gill.
Rev. J. N. Mock.
Rev. H. Toliver.
Rev. S. G. Gilmer.
Rev. H. H. Savage.
Rev. S. D. Townsend.
Rev. S. S. Woods.
Rev. R. E. Catus.
Rev. U. L. McLean.
Rev. H. C. Hairston.
Rev. W. M. Neal.
Rev. Jackson Brown.
Rev. J. P. Capel.
Rev. J. H. McBroom.
Rev. Monroe Nash.
Rev. L. S. Troxler.
Rev. J. B. Ellis.
Rev. Geo. Hendrix.
Rev. J. H. Thompson.
Rev. F. D. Fuller.
Rev. Thomas Clark.

Each of these ministers paid 50 cents to the superanuater fund. Total amount $18.50.

11:00 A. M. the moderator presented Rev. S. S. Woods to preach the introductory sermon. Assisted by Rev. P. J. Jones, who read Isiah 5:5. Rev. Y. S. Turner offered prayer. "O, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing," was sung. Rev. Woods used for a text 133 Psalm and preached an excellent sermon.

Prof. Fitch and Rev. McDonell was given a cordial welcome and both made excellent talks.

Rev. McBroom and Bro. Geo. Thacker took the offering. Amount $5.70.

RECESS

THURSDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

2:00 P. M. devotional was conducted by the delegation. After many spirited hymns and fervent prayers. Vice moderator Rev. J. B. Ellis presiding. The following visitors introduced: Rev. S. L. May, Mr. Young, Mr. Davis, Mr. Brisco, Mrs. Laura Welborn, Rev. O. S Bullock, president of the Union Baptist convention. Spoke in interest of the approaching convention to be held in Winston-Salem the latter part of October. The The moderator, J. E. Boykin, delivered his annual address, which was full of niformation and encouragement. Rev. A. S. Croom spoke in commendatory terms of Rev. Bullock's very excellent address. On motion the moderator's address was placed in the hands of a committee and to be spread on the minutes.

The report of the Recording Secretary was made. Report received. See report.

Report of Treasurer R. T. Jennings. Report received. See report and referred to the Auditor.

Prof. Curtwright and Prof. Griffith, of High Point Normal and Industrial School, was introduced to the association and gave timely expressions.

Rev. G. H. E. Washington was presented to preach the temperance sermon, assisted by Rev. A. S. Croom. Rev. Washington used for a text 1st. Cor. 6 chapter 9-10 verse. "No drunkard can enter the kingdom of Heaven."

The offering was taken by Bro. R. T. Jennings and Bro. Tom Welborn. Amount $7.35.

Prof. Fitts, of Winston-Salem, was given time on the subject of Unity of Religious Effort and True Christian Education.

The moderator offered a resolution, the same was received and given to the committee on education for their adjustment.

Benediction by Rev. S. Troxler.

THURSDAY NIGHT SESSION

8:00 P. M. praise service was conducted by Bros. Willie Wilson and the delegation. After a spiriter praise service Rev. J. W. Poindexter was given time to speak of the work of the Orphan Home at Winston-Salem.

A collection was taken amounting to $10.07.

After a rendition of musis by the choir Rev. Brown led in fervent prayer. The choir rendered a second selection . Dr. G. W. Wadkins, Field Secretary on Mission was given some time to speak of missions.

Rev. A. S. Croom was presented to preach the Missionary sermon. He preached a forceful and logical sermon. Dr. Croom used for his tex Rev. 21-10.

A collection for foreign missions was taken. Amount $9.00.

Benediction.

FRIDAY MORNING SESSION

9:30 A. M. the association assembled. Praise service was conducted by Bro. Landis Garner and Bro. Pink Winchester. After a spiriited song and praise service, Rev. H. C. Hairston was asked to occupy the chair. In the absence of the moderator, the minutes of the previous sessions were read and approved. Ministers roll was called and the following brethren paid; Rev. L. S. Troxler, Rev. J. L. McMullin, Rev. J. B. Ellis.

ECHOES FROM THE FIELD

Bro. R. T. Jennings spoke for East Mark Street church.

Bro. Thomas Clark spoke for Orange Cross Roads.

Bro. H. Toliver for New Light.

Bro. W. M. Hodge for Jones Chapel.

Bro. W. M. Burnett for Martin's Chapel.

Bro. C. E. Martin for Mt. Pisgah.

Bro. Pink Winchester for Chestnut Grove.

Bro. J. C. Geringer for Gibsonville.

D. N. Clark for Orange Crox Roads.

Bro. C. A. Jackson for First Baptist, Thomasville.

Bro. Ray Wilson for Elm Grove.

Bro. Crews for Oak Ridge.

Mrs. L. B. Strong for Sharon, Stoneville.

Bro. R. T. Jennings for East Market.

Bro. D. J. Crumtin for Haw River.

Bro. Samuel Haith for Elon College.

W. W. Young for East White Oak.

Bro. B. J. Percell for Wentworth church.

Rev. Faucett for Glen River church.

Bro. J. N. Mock for Gethsemane church.

Bro. H. F. Brown for Stoney Creek Grove.

Bro. Thomas Welborn for Liberty Grove.

Bro. George Thacker for Locust Grove.

At 11:30 A. M. the moderator presented Rev. C. N. Brown to preach, assisted by Rev. H. H. Savage, who lined hymn 375. Rev. Brown read a Psalm, and Rev. Savage led in prayer. Rev. Brown used for a text Gen. 3:15, "And God said unto Moser, I am that I am." Rev. Brown preached a soul reviving sermon.

Bro. Thomas Welborn took the offering. Amount $5.58.

The following visitors were presented; Rev. Buckram, Rev. L. D. Twine, Sister Johnson, Sister Gallaway, Sister Crenshaw, of New New Light, of Greensboro. Rev. Twine and Rev. Buckram gave timely expressions.

Benediction by Rev. T. D. Ware.

RECESS

FRIDAY EVENING SESSION

2:00 P. M. the association, after a spirited praise and prayer service proceeded to the business of the association.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

Committee on new church made report. Report received. See report.

The committee on education made report. Report received. See report.

Committee on Foreign Missions made report. Report received. See report.

Committee on constitution and by-laws. Report received. See report.

4:00 P. M. the moderator presented Rev. H. C. Hairston to preach the educational sermon, assisted by Rev. Croom. Rev. Hairston based his argument Rev. 10-4:5:6, and preached an excellent sermon. Rev. A. S. Groom spoke commentingly of the excellent sermon. He also spoke on the auto driver, put on in the last annual meeting. Several people contributed, viz: Bro. Thomas Clark $1.00; R. E. Catus $1.00; H. H. Savage $5.00; S. S. Welborn .50; Bro. R. T. Jennings subscribed $10; H. F. Brown $1.00; Sister Dora Compton .75; Rev. S. Troxler $1.00; A friend .25. Total $10.00.

RECESS

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSION

At 8:00 P. M. the association reconvened. Song and praise service was conducted by the delegation.

An offering was taken for the new church at Elon College, Bro. Gilmer's church. Those who gave as much as one dollar appear in the minutes:

Bro. R. T. Jennings.

Amount $15.25.

The hour having arrived for the doctrinal sermon, the choir rendered a selection of music, and the moderator presented Rev. J. B. Ellis to preach the doctrinal sermon. Rev. L. S. Troxler assisted him. Rev. Ellis used Acts 2-41:42 and preached a sould reviving sermon.

J. N. Mock .50.

HONOR ROLL

Wm. Wilson .50.

Thomas Clark .50.

Benediction.

SATURDAY MORNING SESSION

At 9:30 the association assembled. Praise service was conducted by Rev. S. Troxler and Bro. Chas. R. Young. Bro. G. W. Thacker led in fervent prayer. After a hymn of praise the moderator proceeded to the business of the session.

Corresponding Secretary made his report. Report received. See report.

Report of committee on Finance by Mrs. N. G. Washington. Report received. See report.

Committee on nomination of officers made report. Report received. See report.

Report of the Woman's Auxiliary by Mrs. P. A. Taylor, the president. Mrs. N. G. Washington secretary of Woman's Auxiliary and Mrs. Lucrica Graves, Corresponding secretary.

All gave a glowing report of the spirit and progress of the work of the Woman's Auxiliary.

The moderator offered his resignation. The resignation of the moderator was presented. The association did not accept the resignation, and a motion prevailed that he continue to serve as moderator for another year. The moderator acqueesed.

SUNDAY MORNING SESSION

At 9:30 A. M. a model Sunday school was conducted by Supt. E. M. Darr and teachers.

Lesson subject Acts 13-1:12.

Visitors 11, total attendance 62. Collection $5.00.

Miss Anna May Graves sang and played a beautiful solo.

At 11:00 A. M., after a selection by the choir and the reading of the 53rd. chapter of Isiah by Rev. R. E. Catus, the moderator presented Rev. G. H. E. Washington, who preached a wonderful sermon from Mark 5-25.

The offering was taken by Bro. Steel and Bro. Foster. Amount $17.90. And after collection for Sister Ann Welborn was taken, amount $11.25.

RECESS

SUNDAY AFTERNOON SESSION

At 3:00 P. M. after devotion and a rendition of music by the choir the moderator presented Rev. H. C. Hairston, who preached an excellent sermon from Nom. 10-29.

Bro. M. A. Hoover and Bro. Price, of High Point, took the offering. Amount $12.28.

Sunday night Rev. J. H. McBroom preached from Acts 1-8.

The offering was taken. Amount $10.01.

The association closed sine die to meet at East White Oak 1922.

Rev. J. E. Boykin, Moderator.
R. E. Catus, Rec. Sec.

MODERATOR'S ADDRESS

Members, friends and co-workers of this 32nd annual session of the High Point Educational Missionary Baptist Association.

Under the blessings of God we have come to an end of another year of our work. We have been affected in some measures by the financial condition through which we are passing, yet from what I have gleaned from reports, our churches are progressing, but there is room for greater progress. I am not preparing a lengthy address for several reasons. I feel that we talk to much at times for the real work we do. We gather on occasions of this kind and make laws and go away and never execute them. We ought to be so closely united in practice until the work outlined and adopted by the Association would become a guide for each church. But the cause for the neglect and disregard for the rules outlined and adopted can be traced directly or indirectly to the pastors. No organization can reach the highest degree of efficiency without a united effort. As I have said before the true spirit of co-operation does not prevail among us. "Together we stand, divided us fall." Progress is only a fight against ignorance, stupidity and a tendency of the human mind to run in grooves. It is hard at times to pull out of the old rut, especially when the load is heavy, but I advise you to be progressive, and by so being you may be more helpful and you yourselves will be helped.

COMPLAINTS

We have had some complaints accosionally from some of the ministers because they are not put on program to preach at times. In answer to it, I will say, I have allowed the Executive Board to arrange speakers for the different accasions, and in their judgement the best were selected.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That we get acquainted with our State work, that is take a part in raising money for missions and education.
2. That the different churches send your pastor to the State convention, that he may get in touch with the leading Baptist workers.
3. That we encourage education among the masses of our people, and instruct them to give their children more education than is usually given in the free schools.
4. That we as pastors and officers of our churches, see to it

that our own organizations, viz: Sunday school convention and the Woman's Auxiliary, be not neglected, but let us unite efforts and make them what they should be in every way.

Yours in the cause,

J. E. BOYKIN.

RECORDING SECRETARY'S REPORT

Dear Brethren,

And are we yet alive to see each others faces?

When we make the inventory of our conscious errors, those we can recall out of the myrials that have been submerged in the turbulent seas of human forgetfulness. And when weremember how frail we are we tremble in comtemplation of the infinite goodness and mercy that have surely followed us all the days of our natial lives.

With this thought fresh in our minds, shall we not join in grateful acknowledgement of divine favor and repeat with the Psalms David?

"The Lord is our Shepherd, we shall not want,
He has made us to lie down in green pastures,
He has led us beside the still waters,
He has restored our souls,
He has led us in the paths of righteousness for his name sake,
Yea though we have walked through the valley of
The shadow of death we feared no evil,
For He was with us, His rod and his staff did comfort us.
He has prepared tables before us in the presence of our enemies
He has annointed our heads with oil,
Our cups have run over, surely his goodness and his mercy
Will follow us all the days of our lives,
And we shall dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

I hope and trust that the spirit of our Christ may permeate every heart as we shall deliberate in this the 32nd annual meeting of this Association.

I am yours for the advancement of Christ's Kingdom.

R. E. CATUS, Rec. Secretary.

OFFICERS REPORT

Report of Treasurer.

Received from the session of 1920	$200.98
Paid uot for printing	86.40
For board meeting	19.22
	$105.62

Balance on hand August 3rd, 1921_____$95.36

R. T. JENNINGS, Treasurer.

AUDITOR'S REPORT

This is to certify that I have examined the treasurer's report and find it correct.

MRS. N.G.WASHINGTON, Auditor.

Superanuated Treasurer's Report.

Received from Association August 1920_____$60.00

Paid out by order _____12.75

Balance on hand August 7, 1921_____47.25

REV. S. TROXLER, Treasurer Superanuater Fund

REPORT OF COMMITTEE

On nomination of officers we, your commitee, recommend the following officers for the ensuing year:

Moderator—Rev. J. E. Boykin, A. M.

Vice Moderator—Rev. J. B. Ellis.

Recording Secretary—Rev. R. E. Catus.

Correcponding Secretary—Rev. S. G. Gilmer.

Treasurer—Bro. R. T. Jennings.

Supernauated Treasurer—Rev. S. Troxler.

Auditor—Mrs. N. G. Washington.

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Rev. J. E. Boykin.

Rev. S. Troxler.

Rev. H. S. Croom.

Bro. Thomas Clark.

Rev. S. G. Gilmer.

Rev. V. L. McLean.

Rev. J. B. Ellis.

Geo. W. Thacker.

Rev. G. H. E. Washington.

REV. H. S. CROOM, Chairman Committee.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MISSIONS

We, your committee recommend that each pastor establish a system of taking a collection every preaching Sabbath in his church, and that money so raised be sent each month to the proper officers for missions.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. YOUNG

J. W. KERNS

B. J. PERCELL

D. S. GRAVES

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON ARBITUARY

The following brethren, since our last annual meeting, has crossed over the river, and are (we trust) resting from their labors: Deacon Abraham Lomax and Bro. Pink Comer. Peace be to their ashes.

Y. S. TURNER
F. DILWORTH
THOMAS CLARK

Committee.

REPORT OF COMITTEE ON NEW CHURCHES

We, your committee, recommend for membership in our Association the following churches:

Mt. Calvary and Greensboro, N. C.

The committee no Education made this report urging the churches to put forth every effort to educate the masses.

Y. S. TURNER
C. A. JACKSON
A. L. BURTON
P. J. JONES
L. GARNER

Committee.

RECEIPTS AND DISBURSEMENTS

Total receipts from churches	$189.90
Public collections	75.95
Sunday collections	73.82
Total receipts	$339.67

PAID OUT

For foreign missions	$ 9.00
Winston Orphan home	20.00
Mrs. Ann Welborn	11.25
New church at Elon College	15.25
By order appropriation committee	253.65
Total Disbursements	$309.15
Balance turned over to treasurer Aug. 6	$59.60
Brought forward from 1920	95.39
Balance in treasury Aug. 6, 1921	$154.97

CONSTITUTION

1. This Association shall be known as the High Point Educational and Missionary Baptist Association, of the Holy Spirit, and to advance the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ throughout the bounds.

2. That all ministers shall pay fifty cents and shall be paid before said ministers shall have any voice in the Association.

3. The officers of this Association shall be a President, a Vice President, a Vice President, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries, Treasurer, and as many Boards of Managers as may seem necessary. Each board shall have control of all business committed to them, and shall be elected annually.

4. All boards, committees and officers, elected at one session of the Association shall make a satisfactory report to the Association before they are re-elected.

5. Each church in this Association will be expected to send 20c per member and said amount will be known as the Association fund.

6. The Association will co-operate with the American Baptist Home Missionary Society of New York, with its work within our bounds.

7. We recommend Hiscocks Baptist Church Directory as a true guide for the churches in business meetings within the bounds of this Association.

8. There shall be a treasurer and fund raised annually and kept expressly for superannuated ministers within the bounds of the Association.

9. The Association shall have no power over the internal affairs of the churches; but where a church holds a pastor and accepts his services, the failure or neglect to pay such pastor his salary will place the church in bad standing.

10. There shall be the following boards appointed at each session: (1) Home Mission Board; (2) Education al Board; (3) Executive Board.

11. This Constitution may be changed by a two-thrids vote; provided it does not affect section 2, 3, 4, 5, and 10.

12. This Association shall meet annually on Wednesday before the first Sunday in August, at such places as may be be agreed upon while in session.

13. Extra sessions of this Association may be called by the President and Executive Board and conduct the same business as an annual session.

14. We further recommend that one-half of the fee for Secretary shall be paid at the Association, the remaining half to be paid after minutes have been distributed to the various churches.

15. Any church in good standing wishing to withdraw from this Association, upon a written request, can do so provided it notifies the President three months before the Association convenes and the President shall notify the Executive Board.

16. Any minister coming from any other Associations to unite with us.

17. No member of our church shall join another sister Baptist church without proper letter form of dismissal.